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SCIENCE CITIES
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to develop "Science Cities" in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Central Government to set up Science Cities/Parks in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) CULTURE & TOURISM AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a& b) Yes, Madam National Council of Science Museums (NCSM), an autonomous Organization under the Ministry of Culture is engaged in establishment of Science Cities throughout the country. NCSM is developing a Science City at Guwahati, Assam. The Science Centres/Cities projects are taken up by NCSM in a phased manner depending upon the availability of resources, project-handling capacity of NCSM and the existing level of Science centre activities in a particular State.

Details of the proposals received by NCSM for establishment of Science Cities are enclosed in Annexure-I.

c) The Central Government provides financial assistance through NCSM for setting up of Science Cities/Centres as per its approved Scheme. Science Park is now an integral component of all Science Centres and Science Cities, and, therefore, is not set up independently.